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ACTION PM-03

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FM AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3518

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INFO AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE

AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN

AMEMBASSY OSLO

AMEMBASSY PARIS

S E C R E T BRUSSELS 2745

SECDEF FOR ASD:ISA (ISA(SA/DSAA/TS)

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, BE

SUBJECT: F-104 REPLACEMENT: COMPARATIVE DATA BETWEEN F-16
AND SOVIET FIGHTERS

REF: SECDEF MSG 252006Z MARCH 75

1. WE GREATLY APPRECIATE QUICK, HELPFUL REPLY TO OUR
REQUEST FOR COMPARATIVE DATA BETWEEN F-16, F-1/M53
AND SOVIET FIGHTERS.

2. INFO PROVIDED REF MSG WAS SENT TO PRIME MINISTER
TINDEMANS IN LETTER FORM AMBASSADOR MARCH 26.

3. IN FORWARDING INFO WE MADE FOLLOWING CHANGES KEYED
TO PARA NUMBERS OF REF MSG:
(A) PARA 2, SUBSTITUTED MIG21 AND MIG 23 FOR FISHBED J
AND F(B) PARA 2, DELETED "WORSE BY" AND SUBSTITUTED "LESS TOP
SPEED BY".

(C) PARA 2, DELETED TEXT UNDER LINE CITED IN B ABOVE
AND SUBSTITUTED "THE MAXIMUM SPEED AT ANY ALTITUDE

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IS SELDOM USED BECAUSE MANEUVERING SLOWS THE COMBAT

SPEED TO SUB-SONIC LEVELS VERY QUICKLY AND BECAUSE VERY
HIGH FUEL CONSUMPTION AT MAXIMUM SPEED GREATLY REDUCES
THE RADIUS OF ACTION".

(D) PARA 3, DELETED THAT PART OF PARA AFTER SENTENCE
ENDING WITH " . . . OVER ONE-HALF COMPLETE AT THIS
TIME." FIRESTONE

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Message Attributes

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